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Attorney Docket No.: CIT1520-1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Sternberg et al.  
Serial No.: 09/479,467  
Filed: January 6, 2000  
Title: POLYCYSTIC KIDNEY DISEASE GENE HOMOLOGS REQUIRED FOR  
MALE MATING BEHAVIOR IN NEMATODES AND ASSAYS BASED  
THEREON

Art Unit: 1632  
Examiner: Paras, P.

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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) TO REVIVE**  
**AN UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED PATENT APPLICATION**

Sir:

The above identified application became abandoned for alleged failure to timely submit a Notice of Appeal for this application. It is respectfully submitted that the failure to submit the Notice of Appeal was unintentional.

Accompanying this Petition is a Statement regarding the time of delay from the due date of the reply to until the filing of the present petition, a Continued Prosecution Application in lieu of a Notice of Appeal and a Preliminary Amendment.

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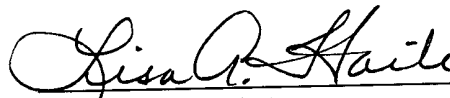
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Respectfully submitted,

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**STATEMENT ACCOMPANYING PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) TO REVIVE  
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The above identified application became abandoned for alleged failure to timely submit a Notice of Appeal for this application. It is respectfully submitted that the failure to submit the Notice of Appeal was unintentional.

In prosecution of the present application, a Final Office Action was mailed on July 31, 2001 to the Heller, Ehrman, White and McAuliffe law firm. A response after final was timely mailed by Applicants on October 26, 2001, but did not include a Notice of Appeal. In late 2001,

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the application was transferred from one law firm to another. In the transfer, it was not made clear that a Notice of Appeal had not been filed. It was not until an Advisory Action mailed February 1, 2002 was received in the offices of Gray, Cary, Ware and Freidenrich on February 13, 2002 that applicants became aware that a Notice of Appeal had not been filed and that the time for filing such Notice had expired on January 31, 2002.

Immediately upon receipt of the Advisory Action, applicants began preparation of the present petition. Therefore, the delay between the due date of the reply and the receipt of the Advisory Action was due to the fact that Applicants were unaware that a notice of Appeal had not been filed. The failure to file the Notice of Appeal was unintentional, as Applicants would have filed the Notice of Appeal, had they realized it had not been previously filed. The delay between the receipt of the Advisory Action and the filing of the present petition is due to the time required to investigate the situation and to prepare the present petition. Accompanying this Statement are a Petition for Revival of an Unintentionally Abandoned Application, a Continued Prosecution Application in lieu of a Notice of Appeal and a Preliminary Amendment.

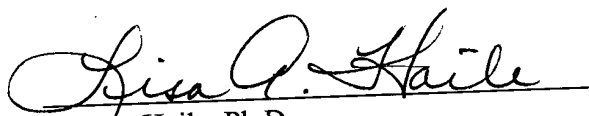
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